Built up Area of Indian Express Building

2942. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the built up floor area (FAR) of Indian Express Building in New Delhi;

(b) what is the usual FAR allowed to others in this area according to rules of DDA;

(c) what is FAR allowed to Indian Express Buildings, New Delhi; and

(d) what are the details of the action taken on owners of Indian Express Building, New Delhi for violating the FAR rules?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Import of edible oil and its disposal

2943. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what criteria is adopted to determine the quantity of edible oils to be imported during a year to meet the domestic requirements;

(b) what is the estimated stock of edible oils likely to become surplus consequent on the reduction in the allocation to the Vanaspati industry in the country with value in foreign exchange; and

(c) the manner in which the surplus stock of edible oils is proposed to be disposed of by Government?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI H.K.L. BHAGAT): (a) The quantum of edible oils to be imported is decided by the Government from time to time keeping in view the availability of indigenous edible oils, availability of foreign exchange and other related factors.

(b) and (c) Imports of edible oils are planned to meet the changing requirements of the public distribution system and the vanaspati industry. In case of a reduction in allocation, edible oil, already imported, is utilised for servicing the allocations in the subsequent period. The import of oils was reduced corresponding to the reduction in allocation.

Financial Sanction to Maharashtra During Congress Centenary, 1985

@2943-A. SHRI ALADI ARUNA alias V. ARUNACHALAM: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra has been sanctioned Rs. 100 crores as promised by Prime Minister at the time of Congress centenary 1985; and

(b) what are the norms under which such amount has to be spent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) Central assistance of Rs. 100 crores to the Government of Maharashtra for solving the acute housing and slums problem in Bombay is to be released in phases during the remaining years of the 7th Plan. Rs. 5 crores have already been released as 'ways and means advance' pending scrutiny and approval of the schemes recently received from the State Govt. Three broad heads under which the schemes have been suggested by the State Govt. are (i) slum upgradation, (ii) Dharavi Development and (iii) urban renewal and reconstruction in Bombay

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